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|  | <b>Filing Date</b>            | 22 August 2000    |
|  | <b>First Named Inventor</b>   | HALL, Adam et al. |
|  | <b>Art Unit</b>               | 3625              |
|  | <b>Examiner Name</b>          | SMITH, Jeffrey A. |
|  | <b>Attorney Docket Number</b> | ICLS 1001-2       |

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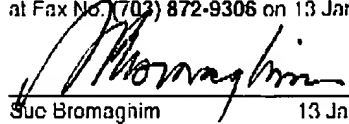
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Adam HALL et al.

Application No. 09/643,274

Confirmation No. 8657

Filed: 22 August 2000

Title: **System and Method for Conducting  
The Closing of a Real Estate Sale  
Over a Computerized Network**

Group Art Unit: 3625

Examiner: Jeffrey A. SMITH

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- [X] **RCE Transmittal** (\$395 filing fee / small entity enclosed);
- [X] **Amendment Accompanying Request for Continued Prosecution** (for which no  
additional claims fee is due); and.
- [X] **Credit Card Authorization Form** for \$455 (\$395 RCE Filing fee, \$60 one-month  
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